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In re application of Gregory J.Kellogg et al. Serial No.09/858,318

DECISION ON PETITION

Filed: May 15, 2001

For: MICROFLUIDICS DEVICES AND METHODS FOR

HIGH THROUGHPUT SCREENING

This is a response to the PETITION TO RESCIND ABANDONMENT, filed February 03, 2005. The response asks that the abandonment, as set forth in the <u>Notice of Abandonment</u> of January 26, 2005 be withdrawn since the applicant did timely file a response on January 18, 2005. (copies of reply and Stamped Return Postcard Receipt are attached hereto).

## **DECISION**

The instant request has been accepted as a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.181 (no fee) - no abandonment-in-fact. A review of the USPTO application file reveals that applicant's response were properly filed on January 18, 2005 in view of the fact that the originally filed papers having a Patent and Trademark Office date stamp of January 18,2005 thereon and a properly completed Certificate of Mailing dated January 13, 2005 thereon have been located in the USPTO application file. Accordingly, any holding of abandonment is hereby vacated, and the application has been returned to pending status.

The application shall be forwarded to the examiner for processing and consideration of the papers filed January 18, 2005.

The Petition is **GRANTED**.

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